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E.O. 11652: NA

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SUBJECT: CAR IMPLICATED IN KIM TAE-CHUNG ABDUCTION

REF: TOKYO 11846

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS SEPTEMBER 26 METROPOLITAN POLICE HAVE LOCATED GRAY NISSAN SKYLINE CAR BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN KIM TAE-CHUNG ABDUCTION. SUSPECTED PRESENCE OF CAR INSIDE ROK EMBASSY COMPOUND WAS CONFIRMED WHEN NEW OWNER, UNIDENTIFIED ROK DIPLOMAT, LISTED PREVIOUS LICENSE NUMBER IN APPLICATION TO MOFA FOR DIPLOMATIC LICENSE PLATE.

2. PREVIOUS OWNER WAS ROK VICE CONSUL IN YOKOHAMA, YU YOUNGE-BOK, WHO RETURNED TO SEOUL SEPTEMBER 5. ORDINARY (NOT DIPLOMATIC) REGISTRATION FOR CAR WAS CANCELLED SEPTEMBER 12 (REFTEL).

3. CAR WAS IDENTIFIED ON BASIS OF FORMER LICENSE PLATE NUMBER AS HAVING ENTERED BASEMENT GARAGE OF TOKYO GRAND PALACE HOTEL AT 1014 AM AND DEPARTED AT 1:19 PM, IMMEDIATELY AFTER
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KIM TAE-CHUNG ABDUCTED FROM HOTEL AUGUST 8. POLICE HAVE BEEN

SEARCHING FOR CAR WITH THAT NUMBER SINCE.

4. POLICE REPORTEDLY BELIEVE CAR IS MATERIAL EVIDENCE WHICH COULD PROVE ROK EMBASSY PERSONNEL INVOLVEMENT IN ABDUCTION, AND MAY REQUEST ROK EMBASSY, THROUGH MOFA, TO PRODUCE IT IN CONNECTION WITH INVESTIGATION. APPARENTLY THIS CAR DOES NOT FIT DESCRIPTION OF FOREIGN CAR WHICH CARRIED KIM TAE-CHUNG TO OTSU INTERCHANGE ON NAGOYA-KOBE EXPRESSWAY BUT POLICE REPORTEDLY BELIEVE IT MAY HAVE BEEN USED FOR LIAISON DURING ABDUCTION.

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